

**Expansion of Site Stewardship program with full time Archaeologist
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Resource Action Identification Form

1. Name of Proposed Resource Action:

Secure funding for expansion of the Archaeological Site Stewardship Program with full time Associate State Park Archaeologist overseeing the program and cultural resources within the APE. (CO2.01-06 & CO4.09).

2. Proposed Resource Action – Please describe and include the following:

- a. Describe the proposed Resource Action in as much detail as practical: Significant archaeological resources are being adversely affected by looters illegally digging and/or collecting surface artifacts. Site Stewards would frequent the most vulnerable sites, be a presence, and therefore, deter looters. They would call law enforcement when necessary. They would disseminate educational material to Park visitors on the importance of protecting cultural resources. The California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program would train the monitors.
- b. Any physical or operational changes:
☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
If Yes, Please explain: A coordinating Associate State Park Archaeologist position would be funded to support the program as well as paid site monitors, who would require oversight by the Archaeologist.
- c. Proposed start date and duration
Start (month/yr): February, 2007. As soon as possible following research and development of a site stewardship implementation plan. Duration: Expect this program to be ongoing.
- d. Location (within FERC boundary/outside FERC boundary)
☒ Inside ☐ Outside ☐ Don't know
Please specify possible location(s) referring to the linked map (<http://orovillerelicensing.water.ca.gov/maps.html>), or providing a map as appropriate: Monitoring would cover areas of vulnerability as identified by the coordinating archaeologist. Areas include the fluctuation zone and the Craig Saddle area.
- e. Please provide alternative potential Resource Actions for addressing the same resource goal and/or Project 2100 effects referring to the linked map, or providing a map as appropriate: Enhance law enforcement coverage by dedicating two full-time State Park Rangers to resource protection through daily site patrolling. (CO2.01-06 & CO4.09).

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- f. Describe the methods for measuring the goals and performance of the Resource Action or methods for evaluating success against the known resource goal(s): The Site Stewardship program has existed for two years and looting in the Craig Saddle area has been reduced. In expansion of the program, the fluctuation zone would be monitored and overall looting would decrease. Public awareness would also be enhanced by the dissemination of anti-looting literature.

☐ Unknown

- g. Describe the feasibility of the Resource Action: Data collected from the resource inventory have shown many vandalized sites. To ensure future protection of cultural resources, increased resource protection staff including an archaeologist and site monitors is necessary. Protection of cultural resources has been identified as a resource goal.

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- h. Please mark the applicable Working Groups that would be involved in the implementation of this Resource Action:
- ☒ Land Use and Management
 - ☒ Recreation & Socioeconomics
 - ☒ Cultural Resources
 - ☐ Engineering and Operations
 - ☐ Environmental

3. Contact Information for Submitter(s) & Alternate Contact:

- a. Organization name: California State Department of Parks and Recreation
- b. Preparer's name, phone number and e-mail address: Ellen Clark, (530) 538-2200, eclar@parks.ca.gov
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- d. Date prepared: 7/10/03
- e. Organization(s) represented by submitter: Cultural Resources Work Group

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4. Resource Goals:

- a. Identify and describe the resource goal the Resource Action is related to, providing reference to the resource goal number(s) described, as appropriate: This Resource Action addresses a number of Cultural Resource goals oriented toward the desire to protect cultural resources. Specific Resource Goals include:

C02.01- Evaluate the needs (i.e., project effect, significance of resource) and methods to provide protection of cultural resources;

C02.02- Emphasize protection of all significant cultural resource values within the APE (including those that lie beneath the reservoir);

C02.03- Develop special protective measures for “high risk” situations (e.g., sites exposed to potential damage through vandalism);

C02.06- Incorporate public education into any protection program;

C02.06- Use interpretive media and public outreach to maximize the public benefits of the heritage values (cultural, archaeological, and historical) present in the area.

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- b. Explanation of how the Resource Action furthers that goal:

The presence of Site Stewards in the field would deter looting; therefore, cultural resources protection/preservation goal would be fulfilled. Stewards would also do public education through school programs and public outreach in the project area. A funded full-time Archaeologist would oversee the site monitor program and address other protection issues.

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5. Identify the Resource Issue/Relationship to Project and Relicensing

- a. Describe the issue the Resource Action is intended to address, referring as appropriate to Issue Statement(s) number(s):

CRE1- Protect all cultural resources within the Project boundary area.

CRE7a- Need more cultural education in the area effected by the project.

CRE7b- develop a fund for community education

CRE 11- Desire jobs and training for tribal members on this project.

CRE22- Support protection- preservation of cultural resources.

CRE26- Water drawdown has exposed sites subject to vandalism.

CRE38- Public education is necessary to combat site vandalism.

CRE46 & 50- Need permanent full-time archaeologist position working under DWR

CRE62-Funding needs to be provided to expand the Site Stewardship program at the State Recreation Area.

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- b. Describe the relationship between the Resource Action and the project, including any project impacts the Resource Action is intended to address:
Lake Oroville area will continue to be looted of its cultural resources unless protective measures are actively sought.

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- c. Identify any comprehensive plans that this Resource Action is related to:
Resource Management and General Development Plan for Lake Oroville State Recreation Area, August 1973; Interpretive Plan for Lake Oroville Visitor Center at Lake Oroville State Recreation Area, December 1989; Comprehensive Statewide Historic Preservation Plan for California (Office of Historic Preservation 1997, with update for 2000-2005).

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